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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

US: Note 30 On page 69, lines 8-9, following "central processor 12 over Ethernet network", please
Ex-0001 delete "32" and insert therefor - - 41 - -.
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